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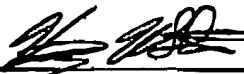
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SIR:

Further to the Examiner's telephone discussion with Applicants' undersigned Representative on April 2, 2003 and further to the Official Action of December 4, 2002, in the above-identified application, Applicants request entry of the amendment presented herein and subsequent allowance of all pending claims.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 8, line 25 with the following text:

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The compound of formula (1), where R₁₀ is a hydrogen atom, can be prepared by reacting under reductive alkylation conditions an aldehyde having the formula (2):